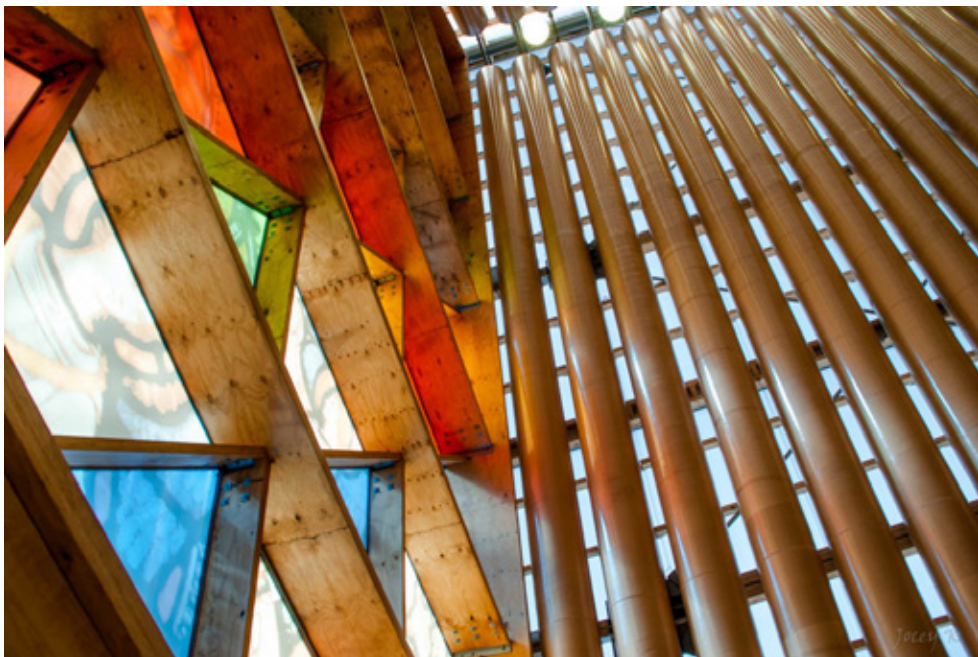


Cardboard Cathedral

case study
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Location: Christchurch, New Zealand



Architect: Shigeru Ban Architects

Owner: N/A

Year of completion: 2013

Climate: Marine West Coast Climate

Material of interest: 24 inch-diameter Cardboard tube

Application: Structure

Properties of material: The 96 tubes, reinforced with laminated wood beams, are coated with waterproof polyurethane and flame retardants with two-inch gaps between them so that light can filter inside. Paper tubing, as a none-typical building material, is comparatively inexpensive and very accessible.

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